

**Behavioral Health Board Minutes**  
**San Luis Obispo County**  
**October 15, 2014**  
**3:00 – 5:00 p.m.**  
**Annex Building, 2180 Johnson Ave**  
**San Luis Obispo, CA 93401**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Clint Weirick  
Tyler Brown  
Joyce Heddleson  
Linda Connolly  
Pam Crabaugh  
Jim Salio  
Marshall Hamilton  
Jill Heuer  
Karl Hansen  
Vicki Fogleman (for Sup. Mecham)

**GUESTS:**

Derek Bishop (TMHA)  
Martin Meltz  
Joe Madsen (TMHA)  
Jim Roberts (FCN)  
Martin Meltz  
Jenny Hart  
Laurel Weir  
Janna Nichols (SCHC)

**MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES ABSENT:**

Cindy Marie Absey  
Ian Parkinson  
Loretta Butterfield  
Robert Reyes  
Frank Mecham  
Jim Salio  
Kelly Kenitz (for Sheriff Parkinson)  
Theresa Scott  
Jason Reed  
David Riester  
Aurora William

**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH STAFF PRESENT:**

Laura Zarate  
Greg Vickery  
Star Graber  
  
Wayne Hansen  
  
Frank Warren

1. **Meeting** was called to order @ 3:00 pm by David Riester.

2. **Introductions and Announcements:**

- Round-table introduction.
- No announcements.

3. **Citizen Comments:**

Wedad Nelson: Mother of client. Ms. Nelson gave a history of her daughter's mental illness and medications and urged everyone to educate themselves about two different drugs that should not be mixed.

4. **Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting of September 17, 2014 were reviewed and approved  
M/S/C: Heddleson/Brown.

5. **Ongoing Business: Committee Reports:**

**Substance Abuse Disorder Committee:** Clint Weirick gave an update to the Board. Stated that Dr. Star Graber informed the DAS Committee of all different programs run by Drug and Alcohol Services including those that overlap with Mental Health. Very good information.

## **6. New Business:**

- a) **Request Behavioral Health Board Volunteer to review RFP's.** We have several requests for proposals that we're putting together to send out. The first one is for Mobile Crisis Services. We hope that will be posted in General Services Website within the next thirty days. Anne Robin would like to have one Behavioral Health Board member on the panel to review each RFP. The second one will be several MHSA programs. . If interested notify David Riester.
- b) **The 2014 Consumer Perception Survey:** The State will have us conduct a Consumer Perception Survey during the week of November 17 through November 21 2014. Anne Robin urges all consumers to complete it.

**7. Director's Report: ACA Report:** Anne Robin presented the Board with a presentations on the ACA Report. A copy of this report will be attached to these minutes.

Anne Robin had a face to face forensics meeting in Sacramento Friday , October 10<sup>th</sup> with Behavioral Health partners. Found out some interesting programs that will be following up on as well as will be putting together some juvenile competency tool kits. **Day Centers:** Question was brought up about an update. We have a co-located Drug and Alcohol/Mental Health Staff in North County, Central and South County. We then developed a program called Pre-Reduced Offender Meeting (PROM) –when someone comes out of jail or prison under supervision, within three days of being released; they are meeting with a Probation Officer, Drug and Alcohol/Mental Health Therapist. We've taken a wraparound approach on meeting their needs. It is working very well.

Anne Robin is on the Advisory Board for the work place education and training part of MHSA of the State Level for Office of State Health Planning Development (OSHDP). OSHPD will be releasing some RFP's for mini-grants for Community-based organizations to do peer training, train the trainer, some Cultural Competence trainings. If interested, take a look at OSHPD web site. There will be a list of RFP's coming out for some mini-grants.

Tele-Psychiatrist: Dr. Kuich will not be able to do it. We will be developing a request for interest for other telemedicine providers. We have the equipment ready and Policy in place. Spoke with CHC and they are looking for providers as well. Hopeful we might collaborate.

## **8. Presentation: 50 Now/Housing Programs- Laurel Weir.**

Laurel Weir works in Department of Social Services as a Program Manager. Has a wealth of knowledge on housing programs and governmental support for housing programs.

Laurel Weir, Joe Madsen, Jenny Hart and Janna Nichols presented the Board with statistics and a housing status for San Luis Obispo County update. We were the third highest in terms of unsheltered homeless people because we have very few beds. We are working to try and address that. The US Department of Housing has been developing new projects. We put together a proposal with a list of most vulnerable homeless individuals: Over 60 years of age, having liver failure, HIV +, having being admitted to hospital in past year etc. The BOS approved the proposal and selected TMHA as the grantee.

DSS has partnered with TMHA and put together the 50-Now program. Designed as a housing first model for homeless clients. Have therapist, psych-tech, nurse and Drug and Alcohol counselor. Have secured 18 of the 50 beds already. The challenge is finding landlords that will rent to this population. With the recession, people that used to own a home, now rent and has caused a lack of rental homes/apartments. Total number of homeless in SLO County: 2,043. The Grant will pay for 4-5 months of rent for these folks until they get on their feet by changing their job status. It is a 3year grant. Additionally, Janna Dodge reported that have been awarded \$1,000,000 for South Co. services. This is a great opportunity for this County.

HSOC information available to public: slohomeless.com

## **9. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 5:00pm**

*The next Behavioral Health Board meeting will be Wednesday, November 19, 2014, 3:00pm – 5:00pm in the Annex Conference Room, (the brick building behind the Health Campus.)*

*Laura Zarate*